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MEMORANDUM FOR THE HONORABLE WILLIAM FRENCH SMITH
The Attorney General

SUBJECT: Klaus Barbie (U)

To make clear our position on the Klaus Barbie matter, we believe it advisable to issue a brief public statement (Tab A) indicating that Justice is conducting an inquiry into the facts of the case. We will refrain from further public comment beyond this statement until your factual inquiry is completed. Also, during the pendency of your inquiry, provision of information to Congress by any agency will first be coordinated with Justice. (S)

FOR THE PRESIDENT

W.P.C.
William P. Clark

Attachment

Tab A Public Statement

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